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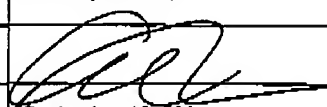
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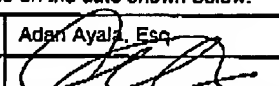
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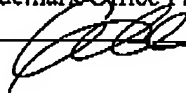
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 31, 2004.

The Examiner required the election of one of the following species: Species A (represented by FIGS. 3-5); Species B (described in page 10, lines 19-21); Species C (represented by FIGS. 6-9); Species D (represented by FIGS. 10-14) and Species E (represented by FIGS. 15-17).

Pending in the present application are Claims 1-13.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the election requirement, and thus examine all species.

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Under the Patent Act and the rules of patent practice, if the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it may include claims to distinct or independent inventions. MPEP § 803.

In the present case, examining all species together would not constitute a serious burden to the Examiner. As mentioned below, Applicants will elect Species C for examination. Accordingly, the Examiner will have to examine Claims 1-9 and 12-13. In other words, the Examiner will examine all but two of the pending claims. Applicants submit that the Examiner would not thus incur a serious burden. Therefore, no species should be restricted and should be examined together.

Nevertheless, the Examiner has advised Applicants that a response to the restriction requirement must include an identification of the species that is elected consonant with the requirement, and a listing of all claims readable thereon. Applicants hereby elect Species C, as designated by the Examiner. The claims readable upon Species C are Claims 1-9 and 12-13.

While no fee is believed to be due, the Commissioner is nevertheless authorized to charge payment of any fees due in processing this amendment, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2548.

Respectfully submitted,



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